

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 30-9, 30-10, 30-11, and 30-12.5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/30-9) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-9)

7 Sec. 30-9. General Assembly scholarship; conditions of  
8 admission; award by competitive examination.

9 Each member of the General Assembly may nominate annually  
10 2 persons of school age and otherwise eligible, from his  
11 district; each one shall receive a certificate of scholarship  
12 in the--University-of-Illinois-and-the-ether-shall-receive-a  
13 eertificate-of--scholarship--in any other State supported  
14 university designated by the member. Any member of the  
15 General Assembly in making nominations under this Section may  
16 designate that his nominee be granted a 4 year scholarship or  
17 may instead designate 2 or 4 nominees for that particular  
18 scholarship, each to receive a 2 year or a one year  
19 scholarship, respectively. The nominee, if a graduate of a  
20 school accredited by the University to which nominated, shall  
21 be admitted to the university on the same conditions as to  
22 educational qualifications as are other graduates of  
23 accredited schools. If the nominee is not a graduate of a  
24 school accredited by the university to which nominated, he  
25 must, before being entitled to the benefits of the  
26 scholarship, pass an examination given by the superintendent  
27 of schools of the county where he resides at the time stated  
28 in Section 30-7 for the competitive examination. The  
29 president of each university shall prescribe the rules  
30 governing the examination for scholarship to his university.

31 A member of the General Assembly may award the

1 scholarship by competitive examination conducted under like  
2 rules as prescribed in Section 30-7 even though one or more  
3 of the applicants are graduates of schools accredited by the  
4 university.

5 A member of the General Assembly may delegate to the  
6 Illinois Student Assistance Commission the authority to  
7 nominate persons for General Assembly scholarships which that  
8 member would otherwise be entitled to award, or may direct  
9 the Commission to evaluate and make recommendations to the  
10 member concerning candidates for such scholarships. In the  
11 event a member delegates his nominating authority or directs  
12 the Commission to evaluate and make recommendations  
13 concerning candidates for General Assembly scholarships, the  
14 member shall inform the Commission in writing of the criteria  
15 which he wishes the Commission to apply in nominating or  
16 recommending candidates. Those criteria may include some or  
17 all of the criteria provided in Section 25 of the Higher  
18 Education Student Assistance Act. A delegation of authority  
19 under this paragraph may be revoked at any time by the  
20 member.

21 Failure of a member of the General Assembly to make a  
22 nomination in any year shall not cause that scholarship to  
23 lapse, but the member may make a nomination for such  
24 scholarship at any time thereafter before the expiration of  
25 his term, and the person so nominated shall be entitled to  
26 the same benefits as holders of other scholarships provided  
27 herein. Any such scholarship for which a member has made no  
28 nomination prior to the expiration of the term for which he  
29 was elected shall lapse upon the expiration of that term.

30 (Source: P.A. 87-997.)

31 (105 ILCS 5/30-10) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-10)

32 Sec. 30-10. Filing nominations-Failure to accept or  
33 pass-Second nomination.

1           Nominations, under Section 30-9, showing the name and  
2 address of the nominee, and the term of the scholarship,  
3 whether 4 years, 2 years or one year, must be filed with the  
4 State Superintendent of Education ~~if the scholarship is in a~~  
5 ~~university other than the University of Illinois, or with the~~  
6 ~~president of the University of Illinois if the scholarship is~~  
7 ~~in such university,~~ not later than the opening day of the  
8 semester or term with which the scholarship is to become  
9 effective. The State Superintendent of Education shall  
10 forthwith notify the president of the university ~~other than~~  
11 ~~the University of Illinois~~ of such nomination.

12           If the nominee fails to accept the nomination or, not  
13 being a graduate of a school accredited by the university,  
14 fails to pass the examination for admission, the president of  
15 the university shall at once notify the State Superintendent  
16 of Education ~~if the university is other than the University~~  
17 ~~of Illinois.~~ Upon receiving such notification, the State  
18 Superintendent of Education shall notify the nominating  
19 member, who may name another person for the scholarship. ~~In~~  
20 ~~the case of a scholarship in the University of Illinois, such~~  
21 ~~notification shall be given by the president thereof to the~~  
22 ~~nominating member.~~ The second nomination must be received by  
23 the State Superintendent of Education ~~or president of the~~  
24 ~~University of Illinois, as the case may be,~~ not later than  
25 the middle of the semester or term with which the scholarship  
26 was to have become effective under the original nomination in  
27 order to become effective as of the opening date of such  
28 semester or term otherwise it shall not become effective  
29 until the beginning of the next semester or term following  
30 the making of the second nomination. Upon receiving such  
31 notification, the State Superintendent of Education shall  
32 notify the president of the university of such second  
33 nomination. If any person nominated after the effective date  
34 of this amendatory Act of 1973 to receive a General Assembly

1 scholarship changes his residence to a location outside of  
2 the district from which he was nominated, his nominating  
3 member may terminate that scholarship at the conclusion of  
4 the college year in which he is then enrolled. For purposes  
5 of this paragraph, a person changes his residence if he  
6 registers to vote in a location outside of the district from  
7 which he was nominated, but does not change his residence  
8 merely by taking off-campus housing or living in a  
9 nonuniversity residence.

10 (Source: P.A. 80-278.)

11 (105 ILCS 5/30-11) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-11)

12 Sec. 30-11. Failure to use scholarship - Further  
13 nominations. If any nominee under Section 30-9 or 30-10  
14 discontinues his course of instruction or fails to use the  
15 scholarship, leaving 1, 2, 3, or 4 years thereof unused, the  
16 member of the General Assembly may, except as otherwise  
17 provided in this Article, nominate some other person eligible  
18 under this Article from his district who shall be entitled to  
19 the scholarship for the unexpired period thereof. Such  
20 appointment to an unexpired scholarship vacated before July  
21 1, 1961, may be made only by the member of the General  
22 Assembly who made the original appointment and during the  
23 time he is such a member. If a scholarship is vacated on or  
24 after July 1, 1961, and the member of the General Assembly  
25 who made the original appointment has ceased to be a member,  
26 some eligible person may be nominated in the following manner  
27 to fill the vacancy: If the original appointment was made by  
28 a Senator, such nomination shall be made by the Senator from  
29 the same district; if the original appointment was made by a  
30 Representative, such nomination shall be made by the  
31 Representative from the same district. Every nomination to  
32 fill a vacancy must be accompanied either by a release of the  
33 original nominee or if he is dead then an affidavit to that

1 effect by some competent person. The failure of a nominee to  
 2 register at the university within 20 days after the opening  
 3 of any semester or term shall be deemed a release by him of  
 4 the nomination, unless he has been granted a leave of absence  
 5 in accordance with Section 30-14 or unless his absence is by  
 6 reason of his entry into the military service of the United  
 7 States. The university, ~~other than the University of~~  
 8 ~~Illinois,~~ shall immediately upon the expiration of 20 days  
 9 after the beginning of the semester or term notify the State  
 10 Board of Education as to the status of each scholarship, who  
 11 shall forthwith notify the nominating member of any nominee's  
 12 failure to register or, if the nominating member has ceased  
 13 to be a member of the General Assembly, shall notify the  
 14 member or members entitled to make the nomination to fill the  
 15 vacancy. ~~In the case of a scholarship in the University of~~  
 16 ~~Illinois, such notification of vacancy shall be made by the~~  
 17 ~~president thereof to the nominating member or his successor~~  
 18 ~~as above provided.~~ All nominations to unused or unexpired  
 19 scholarships shall be effective as of the opening of the  
 20 semester or term of the university during which they are made  
 21 if they are filed with the university during the first half  
 22 of the semester or term, otherwise they shall not be  
 23 effective until the opening of the next following semester or  
 24 term.

25 (Source: P.A. 82-1003.)

26 (105 ILCS 5/30-12.5)

27 Sec. 30-12.5. Waiver of confidentiality.

28 (a) As a condition of nomination for a General Assembly  
 29 scholarship under Section 30-9, 30-10, or 30-11, each nominee  
 30 shall provide to the member of the General Assembly making  
 31 the nomination a waiver document stating that,  
 32 notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if the  
 33 nominee receives a General Assembly scholarship, then the

1 nominee waives all rights to confidentiality with respect to  
2 the contents of the waiver document. The waiver document  
3 shall state at a minimum the nominee's name, domicile  
4 address, attending university, degree program in which the  
5 nominee is enrolled, amount of tuition waived by the  
6 legislative scholarship and the name of the member of the  
7 General Assembly who is making the nomination. The waiver  
8 document shall also contain a statement by the nominee that,  
9 at the time of the nomination for the legislative  
10 scholarship, the domicile of the nominee is within the  
11 legislative district of the legislator making the scholarship  
12 nomination. The waiver document must be signed by the  
13 nominee, and the nominee shall have his or her signature on  
14 the waiver document acknowledged before a notary public. The  
15 member of the General Assembly making the nomination shall  
16 file the signed, notarized waiver document, together with the  
17 nomination itself, with the State Superintendent of Education  
18 ~~or the president of the University of Illinois as provided in~~  
19 ~~Section 30-10~~. By so filing the waiver document, the member  
20 waives all his or her rights to confidentiality with respect  
21 to the contents of the waiver document.

22 (b) The legislative scholarship of any nominee shall be  
23 revoked upon a determination by the State Board of Education  
24 after a hearing that the nominee knowingly provided false or  
25 misleading information on the waiver document. Upon  
26 revocation of the legislative scholarship, the scholarship  
27 nominee shall reimburse the university for the full amount of  
28 any tuition waived prior to revocation of the scholarship.

29 (c) The Illinois Student Assistance Commission shall  
30 prepare a form waiver document to be used as provided in  
31 subsection (a) and shall provide copies of the form upon  
32 request.

33 (Source: P.A. 89-681, eff. 12-13-96.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2    becoming law.